GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:947
ANSWERED ON:23.11.2001
FOODGRAINS LYING IN OPEN AND GODOWNS
ANANT GANGARAM GEETE

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity and value of the grains stored in godowns and kept in open in Maharashtra before procurement season of current year;

(b) the details regarding total procurement of grains made in Maharashtra including the price thereof during last three years;

(c) the total foodgrains damaged in the State so far including the value thereof;

(d) whether any responsibility was fixed in this regard;

(e) whether any report has been received from the State Government in this regard; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI PRADHAN)

(a): The quantity and value of grains stored in godowns and kept in open in Maharashtra before procurement season of current year is as under:-

	Quantity in MTs	Value in Rs./Lakh
In Godown	1493625	144722.82
In CAP	206668	18600.12
Total	1700293	163322.94

(b): The details of procurement of grains made in Maharashtra including price thereof during last three years is as follows:

(Figures in MTs)

Year	Rice	Price/Quintal	Coarsegrains	Price/ Quintal	Paddy	Price/Quintal
1998-99	5015	729.20	-	-	-	-
1999-2000	53687	805.10	86	415.00	123	490.00
2000-2001	13202	833.70	190000	445.00	31885	510.00

(c): A quantity of 1484 MTs. of foodgrains damaged while in storage since April, 2001. The value of damaged stocks is Rs. 133.85 lakh.

(d): No, Sir. The damage has been reported to be natural and not due to human error.

(e): No, Sir.

(f): Does not arise.